



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2020

Citi Diversity Networks of Tampa

Citi Diversity

The Citi Diversity Networks of Tampa supports Citi's brand and enhances our culture of leadership, ethics and inclusion. Each Network furthers the diversity and business objectives of Citi and increases engagement in the community by providing a wide variety of activities.

Purpose: To provide some financial assistance to fifteen (15) selected High School Seniors in the Tampa Bay area through the designated Diversity Networks (Asian Heritage, Black Heritage, Hispanic Heritage, Women's and Veterans) as part of Citi's Diversity and Inclusiveness strategy. Awarded Scholarships will be valued at \$1,000 per awardee (one time, non-renewable per awardee).

In the spirit of the Diversity networks, scholarships will be awarded through an application process to deserving Seniors who are participants in the AVID program and have demonstrated potential and determination to continue their studies through higher education. Five (5) Seniors from each Hillsborough, Pasco & Pinellas county will be selected to represent the five (5) Diversity networks for a total of fifteen (15) recipients.

Guidelines:

1. **DEADLINE for scholarship applications is Wednesday, March 25, 2020 (no exceptions).**
2. If any question does not apply to you in this application, please put N/A in the space.
3. Type or print legibly. Illegible applications will be returned to you.
4. Selected applicants for consideration will be contacted in May 2020 regarding the status of your application.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be in the AVID program and in good standing.
2. Applicant must be a resident of either Hillsborough, Pasco or Pinellas County.
3. Applicant must be a graduating High School Senior in the year of the scholarship award.
4. Applicant must have a cumulative unweighted G.P.A. of 2.75 or greater.
5. Applicant must have a minimum of 25 hours of Community Service.
6. Applicant must not have any immediate family members either employed by Citigroup entity or a vendor contracted by a Citigroup entity
7. **Important Information – Applicants must meet one of the following Diversity Network criteria:**
 - a) Applicant must either be of/or descendants of Asian, Black or Hispanic ethnicity to apply for the Asian, Black or Hispanic Network scholarships.
 - b) Applicant must be a female to apply for the Women's Network scholarship.
 - c) Applicant to the Veterans scholarship have three (3) options to apply:
 - i. Must have an immediate family member either currently on active duty, retired or have served with honorable discharge status.
 - ii. Be a cadet in their high school ROTC program.
 - iii. Have been accepted into their university ROTC program.
 - d) If Applicant qualifies for multiple categories, only one (1) category must be selected for the application.

Application Process:

Applicant must submit the following items:

1. Completed application form.
2. One (1) letter of recommendation from their choice of high school teachers, administrators, counselors, employers, or individuals with significant knowledge of the applicant's experience and engagement.
3. Recent high school official transcript with cumulative G.P.A. and a class standing/rank.
4. Personal essay (typed) along with the application on separate sheet(s) of paper (**500 words max**).
5. Resume (typed) to contain information such as awards, academic honors, club memberships, community service activities, hobbies, outside interests, and any other extracurricular activities must be submitted along with application on separate sheet(s) of paper.



Awards Process:

1. Verification process to include, but not limited to, confirmation of G.P.A., evidence of diversity group selection, confirmation of acceptance to an accredited school and be a student of one (1) of the high schools located in the aforementioned counties.
2. Award recipients will be announced in May 2020 and will be notified via letter.
3. Award recipients must attend the Citi Diversity Scholarship Award Ceremony in May 2020 with an adult at the Citi Offices in Tampa.
4. Scholarship funds will only be awarded to the student's college or university account upon evidence of registration in an accredited post-secondary institution in the Fall 2020.

Please e-mail the application and supporting documents to TampaDiversityScholarship@citi.com.

If unable to e-mail, please send application and supporting documentation via U.S. Mail to:

**Citigroup Inc.
Attn: Kristen Laramore
3800 Citigroup Center Drive
Building A, Floor 3
Tampa, FL 33610-9122**

Deadline for the application is **Wednesday, March 25, 2020**. Applications postmarked after this date will not be considered.



Diversity Scholarship Application

Diversity Network

Which Diversity Scholarship are you applying for (select only one)?

Asian [], Black [], Hispanic [], Women's [], * Veterans []

* Military Branch of Service: _____ * Relationship: _____

Applicant Information

Full Name: _____ Date: _____
Last First M.I.

Address: _____
Street Address Apartment/Unit #

City State ZIP Code

Contact Phone: _____ Contact Email: _____

Ethnicity: _____ (American Indian or Alaska Native, Asian, Black or African American, Hispanic, Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander, White, Two or more ethnicities) Gender: _____ (M/F)

Are there currently any immediate family members either employed by Citigroup entity or a vendor contracted by a Citigroup entity? (Y/N) _____ If yes, please state location and position: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian Information

Name & address of parent or legal guardian:

Full Name: _____ Relationship: _____
Last First M.I.

Address: _____
Street Address Apartment/Unit #

City State ZIP Code

Education

Current High School: _____

Grade Point Average (GPA): _____ (On an unweighted 4.0 scale) Attach proof of GPA. Your most recent school transcript required.

I will be attending the following accredited school in Fall 2020 or, if undecided, I am considering the following schools for Fall 2020: _____

I will be entering the above mentioned school as a (Check one): Freshman [], Sophomore [], Junior [], Senior []



Personal Essay

“Be the Best” is Citi’s commitment to put our clients at the center of everything we do. This is how we deliver on our mission of enabling growth and economic progress to the communities in which we serve.

Please answer the following question (500 words max):

What does the phrase “Be the Best” mean to you in the context of achieving your educational goals?

Submit your response on an additional sheet with this application.

References

Please list one individual from your choice of high school teachers, administrators, counselors and/or employers to complete a Letter of Recommendation. Return this completed letter in a sealed envelope.

Full Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Company: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Attachments Checklist

A. In order for the application to be qualified and be in review by the scholarship committee, the following items must be attached.

B. Incomplete applications will be returned. (NO EXCEPTIONS)

C. Check “Yes” or “No” to be sure you have attached each item as required.

Yes No
 One (1) Letter of Recommendation.

Yes No
 Most recent official high school transcript.

Yes No
 Personal Essay.

Yes No
 Application is complete and signed.

Yes No
 Resume with academic and extracurricular accomplishments included.

Disclaimer and Signature

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also consent that my picture may be taken and used for any purpose deemed necessary to promote the Citi Diversity Scholarship Program.

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, according to the Diversity Scholarship policy, I must provide evidence of enrollment/registration at the post-secondary accredited institution of my choice before scholarship funds can be awarded.

Signature of Scholarship Applicant: _____ Date: _____

REMEMBER: The deadline for this application to be received is **Wednesday, March 25, 2020**. No exceptions!